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THE BULGARIAN "REPUBLIKA" TETs

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On 21 December 1951, the "Republika" TETs (Steam Heat and Electric Power Station) in Moshino, Dimitrovo Okoliya, will be put in operation.

During the 60 years preceding 1936, only 245 Bulgarian villages were electrified, and up to 9 September 1944, only 784 villages were electrified. Since that time, 1,517 new villages have been electrified, making a total of over 2,300. By means of an electric power network consisting of 60- and 110-kilovolt power lines which connect Sofia, Plovdiv, Stara Zagora, Gorna Oryakhovitsa, and Mezdra, the "Republika" TETs will supply many enterprises and hundreds of villages with electric power. To help with this project, the state has interrupted the regular work of many industries and the fulfillment of the daily needs of the population.

In its first stage, the "Republika" TETs will have a capacity of 50,000 kilowatts; later, the capacity will be 100,000 kilowatts. One turbine unit alone, with a capacity of 50,000 kilowatts, will provide an income of 4,200,000 leva daily. The operation of the power station will enable factories to work at full capacity.

At first, the yearly production of the "Republika" TETs will be 250 million kilowatt hours, or 20 percent less than was produced in all Bulgaria during 1944.

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The "Republika" TETs, which is much larger than the "Vulko Chervenkov" TETs, has water-cooling towers which are 46 meters high and a smokestack which is 125 meters high. The entire station covers an area of 4,500 square meters. It will use for fuel a low-calory coal and pulverized coal which has not been used up to now and has been lying in piles near the Dimitrovo mines. The station will burn 1,100 tons of low-grade coal every 24 hours and will consume 400,000 tons of low-calory coal annually.

According to the deadline given by the state, the first 25,000-kilowatt turbine unit was to have been put in operation on 31 December 1951. However, the entire construction and installation work was completed 10 days ahead of schedule.

Ivanatoliy Kozlov, Director of the "Sovbolstroy" (Soviet-Bulgarian Construction Company), has helped complete the "Republika" TETs on time.

The workers at the "Republika" TETs, with the aid of Czech assemblers, were able within one year to put in operation machines sent from Czechoslovakia.

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